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1. Between 28 March and 29 April 1953, 610 boxcars loaded with uranium ore were dispatched to the USSR via Frankfurt/Oder.¹ During the same period, 635 gondola cars loaded with coal from the East entered East Germany via this border station.²

2. [REDACTED] the following iron ore shipments from the
USSR passed through the Frankfurt/Oder border crossing station between 1 and 10
May 1953:

| Date in May | Number of Cars | Dispatched to |
|-------------|----------------|---------------|
| 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | 1 | 1 |
| 3 | 1 | 1 |
| 4 | 1 | 1 |
| 5 | 1 | 1 |
| 6 | 1 | 1 |
| 7 | 1 | 1 |
| 8 | 1 | 1 |
| 9 | 1 | 1 |
| 10 | 1 | 1 |
| 11 | 1 | 1 |
| 12 | 1 | 1 |
| 13 | 1 | 1 |
| 14 | 1 | 1 |
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| 16 | 1 | 1 |
| 17 | 1 | 1 |
| 18 | 1 | 1 |
| 19 | 1 | 1 |
| 20 | 1 | 1 |
| 21 | 1 | 1 |
| 22 | 1 | 1 |
| 23 | 1 | 1 |
| 24 | 1 | 1 |
| 25 | 1 | 1 |
| 26 | 1 | 1 |
| 27 | 1 | 1 |
| 28 | 1 | 1 |
| 29 | 1 | 1 |
| 30 | 1 | 1 |
| 31 | 1 | 1 |

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|---|-----|----------------|
| 1 | 113 | Ziltendorf |
| | 1 | Bitterfeld |
| 2 | 88 | Ziltendorf |
| | 5 | Hennigsdorf |
| | 1 | Freital |
| 3 | 14 | Ziltendorf |
| | 3 | Buckau |
| | 3 | Bitterfeld |
| | 3 | Krossen/Elster |
| 4 | 48 | Ziltendorf |
| | 1 | Bitterfeld |
| 5 | 54 | Ziltendorf |
| | 1 | Buckau |
| | 2 | Dresden |

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| 6 | 48 | Ziltendorf |
| | 3 | Groeditz |
| | 5 | Buckau |
| | 5 | Lichtenberg |
| | 1 | Freital |
| 7 | 70 | Ziltendorf |
| 8 | 43 | " |
| | 2 | Groeditz |
| | 1 | Hennigsdorf |
| | 1 | Brandenburg |
| | 1 | Buckau |
| | 1 | Riesa |
| | 3 | Krossen/Elster |
| 9 | 39 | Ziltendorf |
| | 3 | Groeditz |
| | 9 | Chemnitz |
| | 8 | Hennigsdorf |
| | 4 | Brandenburg |
| | 7 | Buckau |
| | 4 | Riesa |
| | 5 | Krossen/Elster |
| | 3 | Lichtenberg |
| | 1 | Quedlinburg |
| | 3 | Frankleben |
| 10 | 102 | Ziltendorf |
| | 8 | Groeditz |
| | 5 | Hennigsdorf |
| | 9 | Brandenburg |
| | 6 | Buckau |
| | 7 | Riesa |

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3.

[redacted] the following uranium ore shipments passed through the Frankfurt/Oder border crossing station en route to Brest Litovsk between 1 and 10 May 1953:

| Date in May | Number of Cars | Dispatched from |
|-------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 1 | 46 | Aue |
| 9 | 45 | Annaberg |

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[redacted]

4.

On 2 May, a train loaded with 12 T-43 tanks was observed at Muellrose railroad station. The train came from Frankfurt/Oder and was probably dispatched to Jueterbog via Beeskow.⁴

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[redacted] Comment. Most of the shipments were reported previously [redacted] covering rail freight traffic through East German border crossing stations.

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2.

[redacted] Comment. Coal imports from Upper Silesia. Most of the coal imported to East Germany is directed via the Gaben, Forst and Horka border crossing stations.

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3.

[redacted] Comment. In April 1953, 1872 cars loaded with iron ore arrived from the USSR. A total of 1,535 of them was dispatched to Ziltendorf. [redacted]

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[redacted] Comment. It could not be determined if the tanks were loaded in Frankfurt/Oder or if they just passed through this station en route from the USSR.

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